



## GAME NOTES

Langley Rivermen  
at  
Wenatchee Wild

Friday February 17, 2017



Tonight, the Wenatchee Wild (41-9-4-0, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Mainland Div.) welcome the Langley Rivermen (28-16-6-2, 3rd Place, Mainland Div.) in game one of a two-game weekend set, the final regular season home games for the Wild.

**HEAD TO HEAD:** The Wild have won two of the first three meetings this season. Wenatchee is 6-2-1 all time against the Rivermen, and 3-0-0-1 at home. Wenatchee also eliminated the Rivermen in the opening round of the playoffs last season, 4 games to 1. The teams will meet again next Thursday and Friday in Langley, and tomorrow night back here.

**STREAKING:** Wenatchee is riding a 33-game point streak at home dating back to last season. The Wild are 29-0-3-1 dating back to Jan. 23, 2016.

**PLAYOFF PICTURE:** The Wild have a 3-point lead over Chilliwack in a heated race for the Mainland Division crown. Both Wenatchee and Chilliwack are guaranteed home ice for Round 1 of the playoffs. Langley is locked into 3<sup>rd</sup> place and will open on the road, either at Chilliwack or Wenatchee. **All BCHL Playoffs are a best-of-7 format.**

**WHO TO WATCH FOR:** **Brendan Harris** leads both the Wild and the BCHL with 91 points (22g, 69a), while **Charlie Combs** is tied for second in overall points (77) and leads the BCHL with 46 goals. **AJ Vanderbeck** is second in the league with 37 goals, and **Troy Conzo** is fourth in BCHL assists with 47. **Alex Bates** leads Wild defensemen with 34 points (3g, 31a). Langley's offense is led by Ryan Barrow (27g, 38a) and Cam Ginnett (8g, 47a) who also leads all BCHL defensemen. Max Kaufman has 26g and 23a in just 40 games for Langley.

**MAGIC NUMBER:** The Wild's Magic Number is 6 (points) to earn a Division title, and Ron Boileau Trophy for best record in the BCHL.

**HOME COOKIN':** The Wild continue to perform well at home, posting a record of 24-0-2. This season, the Wild have outscored opponents by a total of 148-42 in games at Town Toyota Center.

**SPECIAL TEAMS:** The Wild lead the BCHL in power play goals (68), shorthanded goals (15), fewest power play goals against (27), and fewest shorthanded goals against (1). Langley has the second most power play goals (64) and ranks 4<sup>th</sup>.

**LAST WEEK:** Wenatchee took 3 of 4 road games over the last week, winning in Vernon (3-1), Trail (5-4), and Coquitlam (9-0), but losing at Penticton (2-0). Over that same time span, Langley has played just once, a 4-3 overtime loss to Chilliwack in a game the Rivermen led 3-0 in the 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**MOVING ON:** Next week the Wild wrap up their season with two games in Langley, Thursday and Friday. The Rivermen also face Prince George twice at home, Monday Feb.20 and Saturday Feb.25 to close their season as well.

**MEDIA:** Tonight's game and all Wild games are aired on Sunny FM (93.9 FM), and available on a pay-per-view basis with HockeyTV.com. Pregame show airs at 6:45 pm.

**PROMOTIONS:** Tonight is "Jungle Book Night" with specialty jerseys being auctioned during and after the game.